

## BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date: May 16, 2006

Bulk Item: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No X

Division: Board of County Commissioners

Department: \_\_\_\_\_

Staff Contact: Mayor Charles "Sonny" McCoy

**AGENDA ITEM WORDING:** A resolution approving the master plan for improvements to create the Key Largo Children's Memorial Tree Garden. After approval by the BOCC, the site plan is to be forwarded to the state Department of Community Affairs for review and approval.

**ITEM BACKGROUND:** A request was made by the Children's Memorial Tree Gardens Inc. to the Monroe County Board of County Commissioners to establish a Memorial Tree Garden in Key Largo. After a long search, a vacant lot adjacent to an existing park (Friendship Park) was approved as the site for the tree garden. This site will require improvements such as removal of debris, fencing, removal of exotics, in order to be used as a tree garden. Since the lot for the memorial tree garden was purchased using Florida Communities Trust (FCT) funds, any improvement must be approved by the Department of Community Affairs.

**PREVIOUSLY RELEVANT BOCC ACTION:** Feb. 15, 2006-Approved Lot 15, Bk. 4, Industrial Acres (adjacent to Friendship Park) as location for Key Largo Children's Memorial Tree Garden.

**CONTRACT/AGREEMENT CHANGES: N/A.**

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Approval.

**TOTAL COST:** \$0 **BUDGETED:** Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No X

**COST TO COUNTY:** \$0 **SOURCE OF FUNDS:** N/A

**REVENUE PRODUCING:** Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No X **AMOUNT PER MONTH** N/A **Year** \_\_\_\_\_

**APPROVED BY:** County Atty X OMB/Purchasing N/A Risk Management N/A

**DIVISION DIRECTOR APPROVAL:** \_\_\_\_\_

Mayor Charles "Sonny" McCoy

**DOCUMENTATION:** Included X Not Required \_\_\_\_\_

**DISPOSITION:** \_\_\_\_\_ **AGENDA ITEM #** \_\_\_\_\_

## RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ - 2006

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF  
MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA APPROVING THE MASTER  
PLAN TO CREATE THE KEY LARGO CHILDREN'S  
MEMORIAL TREE GARDEN.

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WHEREAS, the Board of Directors for the Children's Memorial Tree Garden requested the Monroe County BOCC's assistance in identifying a location for a proposed tree garden in Key Largo; and

WHEREAS, Monroe County staff worked with members of the Children's Memorial Tree Garden to identify various locations throughout Key Largo that could be used as the location for a memorial tree garden; and

WHEREAS, Lot 15, Block 4 of Industrial Acres (a vacant lot adjacent to Friendship Park was selected as the location for a memorial tree garden); and

WHEREAS, Lot 15 requires certain improvements such as removal of debris, clearing of exotics, fencing, and other improvements, so that the lot may be used as a tree garden; and

WHEREAS, a master plan has been created to highlight the improvements proposed for the tree garden; and

WHEREAS, Lot 15 was acquired with funding from the Florida Communities Trust (FCT) program and therefore requires approval by the state Department of Community Affairs (DCA) for any changes or physical improvements to the lot; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA, THAT

**Section 1.** The staff is directed to forward this resolution and the master plan for the Key Largo Children's' Memorial Tree Garden to the state for review.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County, Florida, at a regular meeting of said Board held on the 16th day of May, 2006.

Mayor Charles "Sonny" McCoy  
Mayor Pro Tem  
Commissioner Dixie Spehar  
Commissioner George Neugent  
Commissioner David P. Rice

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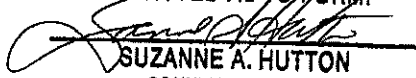
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Monroe County Board of Commissioners

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of Court

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

MONROE COUNTY ATTORNEY  
APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
SUZANNE A. HUTTON  
COUNTY ATTORNEY  
Date 5/1/06